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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated October 3, 2001, thereby extending the time period within which to respond to April 3, 2002.

In response to the Office Action mailed October 3, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Specification

Please replace the Specification paragraphs as shown below. A marked up version of these changes is attached to this Amendment.

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